Setting up of Water Regulatory Commission by Andhra Pradesh

1665. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Govemment of Andhra Pradesh was contemplating to set up Water Regulatory Commission on the lines of Andhra Pradesh Electricity Regulatory Commission to ensure supply of quality water to people;

(b) if so, whether proposals worth Rs. 503 crore were received from 53 municipalities for safe drinking water schemes;

(c) whether these works have been undertaken with the financial aid of HUDCO;

(d) if so, whether Government have also agreed to provide financial assistance for these projects; and

(e) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Government of Andhra Pradesh has reported that the issue is under examination.

(b) As informed by Government of Andhra Pradesh, 53 water supply schemes of municipalities at an estimated cost of Rs: 505.01 crores have been taken up for execution by the State Government under different programmes.

(c) As informed by Government of Andhra Pradesh, out of the 53 water supply schemes, 12 schemes were taken up under HUDCO loan Phase-1 and 24 schemes under HUDCO loan Phase-II.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) As per information received from the Government of Andhra Pradesh, 42 schemes are commissioned, 8 schemes are partially commissioned and 3 schemes are under progress, which are likely to be completed after administrative sanction and release of funds.